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DWR Releases Final LGA Program Guidelines and Proposal Solicitation Package

SACRAMENTO - The Department of Water Resources (DWR) announces release of its Guidelines and Proposal Solicitation Package (PSP) for the Local Groundwater Assistance (LGA) Grant Program.

The Guidelines and PSP will be used to disburse LGA grant funding pursuant to The Safe Drinking Water, Water Quality and Supply, Flood Control, River and Coastal Protection Bond Act of 2006 (Proposition 84).

LGA grants provide local public agencies with up to \$250,000 to conduct groundwater studies or carry out groundwater monitoring and management activities. Approximately \$4.7 million in funding from Proposition 84 is available for the fiscal year 2011-2012 LGA Grant Program.

Priority for Proposition 84 LGA grant funding will be given to local public agencies that have adopted a Groundwater Management Plan and demonstrate collaboration with other agencies in the management of a groundwater basin.

These newly released documents as well as other information about the LGA Grant Program can be found at: http://www.water.ca.gov/lgagrant/.

A series of Applicant Workshops listed on the following table will provide potential grant applicants with assistance on preparing applications. The workshops will also provide information on DWR's grant application submittal tool – Bond Management System (BMS). BMS can be accessed here: http://www.water.ca.gov/irwm/integregio bms.cfm.

LGA Grant Applicant Workshops	
Applicant Workshops California EPA Building, Byron Sher Auditorium 1001 I Street Sacramento, CA 95814 (street and garage parking, have cash on hand)	June 5, 2012 ⁽¹⁾ 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Shasta County Library, Redding Branch 1100 Parkview Avenue Redding, CA 96001	June 6, 2012 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.
Hugh M. Burns Building 2550 Mariposa Mall, Room 1036 Fresno, CA 93721 (street parking, have change on hand)	June 8, 2012 10 a.m. – 12 p.m.
California Tower Building, High Grove Room 3737 Main Street, Suite 200 Riverside, CA 92501 (garage parking, have cash on hand)	June 11, 2012 1 p.m. – 3 p.m.

⁽¹⁾ This meeting will include a live audio/video Webcast and will be available at the following link: http://www.calepa.ca.gov/broadcast/. Viewers may email questions or comments during the webcast to DWR IRWM@water.ca.gov.

Registration is not required to attend the workshops.

Those wishing to be placed on the IRWM contact list for other future grant announcements should send an e-mail to DWR_IRWM@water.ca.gov.

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